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SELF-ALIGNED SILICIDE (SALICIDE) PROCESS FOR LOW RESISTIVITY CONTACTS TO THIN FILM SILICON-ON-INSULATOR MOSFETS AND FOR SHALLOW JUNCTIONS

ABSTRACT

A method (and resulting structure) for fabricating a silicide for a semiconductor device, includes depositing a metal or an alloy thereof on a silicon substrate, reacting the metal or the alloy to form a first silicide phase, etching any unreacted metal, depositing a silicon cap layer over the first silicide phase, reacting the silicon cap layer to form a second silicide phase, for the semiconductor device, and etching any unreacted silicon. The substrate can be either a silicon-on-insulator (SOI) substrate or a bulk silicon substrate.